

Library Board of Trustees

Minutes

Wareham Free Library Board of Trustees

Meeting Time: November 20, 2014; 5:07 pm. Wareham Free Library, 59 Marion Road

Call to order: Called to order by the Chairlady, Bethany Gay at 5:03pm.

Roll Call: Roger B., Bethany G., Denise M., Jim M., Diane O'B., WRC White

Library Director: Denise M.

Guests: Kerry Mello, President of the WFL Foundation, Phyllis Foley and Wendy Young both guests are applicants to the Board of Library Trustees awaiting appointment by the BOS, Nancy Evans (friend of Rachel's) and one other guest. Bill Whalen reporter for Wareham Week.

Announcements: Naomi Arenberg (a PBS personality) has agreed to interview individuals at the library for their sentiments regarding its current state and its value to them.

Minutes: Minutes of October 16, 2014 were not available.

Public Comment: None

Correspondence: Brookline Library has agreed to loan books to Wareham residents if the materials are picked up and returned to the Brookline Library in person.

Old Business:

Libraries reciprocating with Wareham are Swanzy, Freetown and Asconsit. There is some question about Cotuit.

Natures Classroom- Benches have been received and will be stored in the Library for the winter.

The proposal to lease space in the Library to WCTV is no longer being considered.

(Rachel arr 5:50pm)

New Business:

Several ideas for spreading the word about the Library's situation, in advance of FY2016 budget preparation, were discussed by the Trustees.

More fully develop the website

Specially developed bookmarks

Consistent appearances at the Board of Selectmen meeting during Citizens Participation. (Several folks offered to appear.)

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The Mass. Board of Library Commissioners has offered to provide some guidance and will appear at the Jan 15, 2015 meeting of the Trustees.

Several members have agreed to survey libraries in Bridgewater, Norton and Medway.

Phyllis F. reported on library strategies ideas that were discussed at a conference she attended recently. (See Handout)

Directors Report: (See handout)

Denise has developed a ^{draft} FY2016 base budget which will keep the library open the same hours as currently totaling \$282,048. ?

Report – Friends and Foundation:

A very enjoyable Murder Mystery event was presented November 7, 2014

Trustee Matters: A pot luck dinner will be served at the next meeting to say thank you to the staff.

Date and hour of next meeting: Thursday, December 18, 2014: 5pm

Adjournment; Meeting adjourned 6:45pm.

Respectively submitted
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William R. C. White, Clerk

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